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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE FOR RCE

Sir:

The Applicants request entry of this Amendment and Response for RCE. The following remarks are responsive to the final Office Action mailed on March 1, 2006 in the above-identified patent application. Consideration of the following remarks, and allowance of the claims, as presented, is respectfully requested. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and a Petition for a two-month extension of time, up to and including August 1, 2006 are submitted herewith. Authorization to charge Attorney's charge card for the RCE fee, the extension fee and any other proper fees is given in the EFS-Web filing submission papers

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